

## LUMBERMEN HIS PREY

Amberg Caught After Extensive Check Swindles.

His Victims Are Scattered All Over the Country.

Once a Trusted Clerk, He Took to Dissipation.

Charles F. Amberg, who during the last six months has earned for himself the reputation of being one of the most adept forgers and skilful check swindlers of recent times, was remanded in the Tombs Police Court to-day for examination to-morrow on a charge of forgery.

The complainant was H. C. Magruder, a member of the Parmelee-Eccleston Lumber Company, with general offices at No. 1 Broadway. On July 7 he defrauded this company out of \$25 by means of a bogus check on the Clay City National Bank, of Clay City, Mo.

Amberg, it appears, was thoroughly conversant with the wholesale lumber business, having been an inspector for four years for the Kentucky Union Lumber Company, of Clay City. While engaged in this work, he became acquainted with the representatives of members of all the large lumber firms throughout the country, particularly the cities east of the Mississippi river.

About six months ago he started on his criminal career, having lost his job. It is said, through extravagant living and other excesses. He travelled about through the West, representing himself to be the general agent of different lumber companies in the South.

He operated in St. Louis, Louisville, Cincinnati, Baltimore, Boston and Philadelphia. His operations in this city, however, were limited to one transaction named.

When Amberg called on the Parmelee-Eccleston Company on July 7, he represented himself to be the agent of Martin Brothers, extensive lumber dealers of Clay City, Ky.

He succeeded in getting an order from Manager Magruder for 100,000 feet of lumber, to be delivered within a few weeks.

Amberg displayed considerable knowledge of Martin Brothers' business affairs and Mr. Magruder had no suspicions that he was not all he represented himself to be.

Therefore, when Amberg declared he was temporarily embarrassed and asked to have cashed a check for \$25, Magruder says he was glad to grant the favor. The check was deposited with the Fifth Avenue National Bank, sent to Clay City and returned a few days ago marked "N. G."

Magruder at once reported the matter to Inspector McLaughlin, who had already been notified of Amberg's transactions in all the cities above named.

Monday morning Mr. Magruder was considerably astonished to learn that Amberg had returned to New York. The information came to him through the lumber firm of C. B. Morrow & Co. of 115 Broadway.

A member of that firm had called on Mr. Magruder on the telephone and asked him for some information regarding the firm of Martin Brothers. He instantly suspected that some scheme similar to that in which he had suffered was under way and he immediately called on the firm.

Mr. Morrow informed him that a gentleman representing himself to be the agent of Martin Brothers had called upon him and offered to sell 100,000 feet of oak saw at \$45 per thousand, but he gave the quotation for that quality of lumber was considerably higher and before entering into any transaction with the alleged agent, thought he would consult some other dealer.

Mr. Morrow's description of his recent caller tallied exactly with that of Amberg, whom he had told to call on Tuesday morning to complete the contract. Magruder then related his transaction, and feeling satisfied that the agent was none other than Amberg, notified Inspector McLaughlin.

They visited Mr. Morrow's office at 8:30 o'clock and remained there until after 9 o'clock, Tuesday evening, the arrival of Amberg. About 9:30 o'clock he walked into Mr. Morrow's private office and was immediately taken under arrest.

At Police Headquarters he confessed the crime, and acknowledged to Inspector McLaughlin that he had obtained many thousands of dollars by means of forged checks from different dealers throughout the country.

He took his arrest coolly, and declared himself willing to face the consequences.

At least a dozen warrants sworn out by as many dupes from all sections had been forwarded to Inspector McLaughlin for service, all seeming to have surmised that Amberg would follow the same course as the others and would eventually turn up in New York.

His only alias was that of John Martin, the senior member of the firm, which he declared himself to be a representative.

Amberg is an old New Yorker and says he was born in Ludlow street, when that was something of a fashionable thoroughfare.

REJECTED SUITOR'S RAGE.

Widower McDonald Wrecks Unwilling Widow Kellier's Store.

Michael McDonald, a blacksmith, fifty-four years old, living at 29 Monroe street, was held for examination in the Essex market Police Court this morning on the charge of assault.

Michael is a widower with four children. His solitude palled upon him and he yearned for feminine society. So he got drunk yesterday, went around to Widow Kellier's little grocery store on the corner of 17th and Broadway, and wrecked the place.

He loaded his arms with canned goods and began firing them at the widow. Then he caught up the weights and used them for missiles.

A can struck the widow on the head and two of the weights were involuntarily stopped by customers named Ida Cohen and Abraham Goldfarb, who live near by. Goldfarb's scalp was laid open and Miss Cohen's ear was split. McDonald was making great headway as a wrecker when Policeman Currier rushed in, clapped him into subjection and locked him up.

The wounded were patched up at the Gouverneur Hospital. No serious damage was done. McDonald pleaded that he did not know what he was doing, but Justice Hogan would not accept the plea.

## CABLE CAR WRECKS A TRUCK.

Passengers and Truckman Thrown to the Street and Hurt.

Front Seat Occupants Narrowly Escape by Jumping Off.

A collision between a cable car and a heavily loaded truck in Chatham Square at 8:45 this morning, caused a panic in the car, which was full of passengers, some of whom were thrown to the street and more or less injured.

The driver of the truck was flung from his seat, sustaining injuries about the knee. The truck was wrecked, a hind wheel being demolished.

Car 218 of the Third Avenue line was coming downtown on the curve at Chatham Square and New Bowery, one of the passengers fell, at very high speed, when a truck, driven by John Scott, of 220 West Fifty-third street, belonging to the J. T. Prescott Elevator Company, of 11 Jay street, pulled rapidly across the track.

Seeing the danger of collision, Scott whipped up his horses and tried to cross in front of the car, while gripman 218, who was in charge of the car, tried to stop, but owing to the slippery track, failed to check its headway.

The truck had nearly crossed in safety, but a hind wheel was still on the track when the car came heavily against it. Passengers on the front seat saw the danger and leaped to the street. Others were not so fortunate, and some of them were injured.

The truck driver was hurled from his high seat to the pavement, lacerating his knee and tearing his clothing. Had he not struck the car in his fall he might have been more severely injured. His helper, who refused to give his name, escaped uninjured.

The car platform and fender were badly smashed, and the truck settled down with a crash under its heavy load, the hind wheel being entirely demolished. Traffic was delayed ten minutes.

Scott says the gripman did not try to stop the car. No arrests were made.

A TRAIN IN THE RIVER.

Collision on the R. and O.-A Fireman Killed.

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 5.—A wild-cat train of cars collided with the R. and O. express, here at 11:05 last night, on the bridge over the Olentangy River, near this city, this morning, and the passenger train was hurled into the river.

William Herbert, fireman, was killed and several passengers and trainmen received slight injuries.

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Cloudburst in Illinois.

PASA, Ill., Sept. 5.—This section was visited by a cloud burst, followed by almost continuous rain for the last twenty-four hours. This saved the pastures. The corn crop will be the heaviest this year, but the leaves are now being eaten by the worms. The corn crop will be the heaviest this year, but the leaves are now being eaten by the worms.

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## M'LEAN HELD UP IN HIS SHOP.

Covered with a Revolver and Told to Give Up Valuables.

Handed Over a Watch and Ring, Valued at \$108.

John McLean, a carpenter and builder at 31 Bleecker street, was robbed Saturday night. Mr. McLean was asleep on a lounge in the rear room of his office at about 7 o'clock, when two men entered. One stood at the door and the other drew a revolver, and pointing it at McLean told him he had best keep quiet and hand over everything of value he had.

McLean complied, and handed over his watch and a diamond ring, valued at \$108. After they had gone he tried to follow them, but when he reached the front door they were out of sight. He recognized the one who had watched at the door as a waiter in neighboring saloons, and reported the fact at the Mayor's street station, where he told the police all about it. Detective Dougherty was able to arrest the man whom McLean recognized, but the other has not been captured.

The alleged lookout, Octave August, thirty-three years old, of 76 West Fifty-second street, denied having any connection with the crime. He was taken to Jefferson Market Court to-day and held for examination.

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TWO NEW CASES.

Health Board Officials Closely Watching Small-Pox Suspects.

Mary McWilliams, thirty-two years old, of 319 West Forty-fourth street, and Veronica Davis, colored, one year old, of 222 West Sixty-fourth street, were removed to North Brother Island this morning, suffering from small-pox.

During the last week a dozen or more cases have been removed from 230, 222 and 224 West Sixty-fourth street, which are large tenement-houses occupied by colored people.

Dr. Lee explains that the reason why the disease gained such a foothold in that neighborhood is because the colored families have concealed the patients. Inspectors who were detailed to investigate found a number of convalescents, and some who had been sick with the disease had entirely recovered. There are a number of cases among colored families now under observation, and it is expected that the disease will develop in a few days. The suspects are under quarantine, however, and are not allowed to hold communication with any one but Health Board officials.

Women Killed by a Falling Tree.

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## RAID ON "DOCK RATS."

Six of a Tough Gang Captured by Police Reserves.

Two Patrolmen Forced to Draw Their Revolvers.

When Reinforcements Arrived the Gang Scattered.

The West Forty-seventh street police swooped down last night on a gang of loafers which has made its headquarters on the dock at the foot of West Fifty-second street. As a result of the raid six prisoners were arraigned in Yorkville Police Court this morning.

The recognized leaders of the gang are Nicholas Lawrence, aged twenty-three, of 328 West Forty-ninth street, and Thomas Scanlon, of the same age, whose home is at 236 West Sixty-sixth street. The former is known familiarly among his pals as "Big Nose," while the latter rejoices in the name of "Stubby."

The police say that most of the hoodlums are ex-convicts. Their chief industry is to live without working, to hold up and rob people passing within their territory, to annoy the police and work the growler. They always have boats near the dock, and these they have stolen, as a means of escape when the police come hot upon them.

The raid of last night had its origin in the theft of two hammocks, which Scanlon and Lawrence are said to have stolen.

The night before they took the hammocks to the stable of Thomas Kittelman at the foot of West Fifty-second street and left them there for safe-keeping. All this they did without the knowledge of the stable's owner. When they went for their hammocks yesterday morning they found them gone.

Kittelman was accused by them of stealing the body, and was told that if he did not pay them \$10 his life was worth no more than a straw in his barn.

Kittelman knew the calibre of the men and decided to pay them \$2, as he said this morning, under protest. That is, he told them that if they didn't pay him the money back he would put the police on their track.

Kittelman then went with his story to the West Forty-seventh street police, who brought back with him to the Fifty-second street dock Detective Dale and Patrolman Douglas. Dale left word that a section of the reserves should follow him in a few minutes.

The members of the gang were all on the dock when they saw the two policemen coming. They laughed at the idea that two officers could come to conquer them, and proceeded to "heat the cops." Dale and Douglas kept the crowd back with drawn revolvers, and just then the reserves rushed down the street.

In a second the crowd scattered. Each policeman made for a man, but they found them too quick for them, and knew the dock too well. Some of them crept into holes where no one could find them; others jumped into boats. In this way the police think that about fifteen escaped. The other six were taken.

The prisoners besides Scanlon and Lawrence are: Walter Keenan, aged twenty-two, 851 Tenth avenue; Thomas Murphy, twenty-two, 40 Eleventh avenue; Thomas Cleary, twenty years old, of 62 West Fifty-second street; William Baker, aged twenty-six, of 150 West Fifty-fifth street; Scanlon and Lawrence were held for trial for larceny. The

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CAUGHT ONE IN COURT.

Toughs Who Disturbed the Open-Door Mission Get a Lecture.

Ward Brennan, twenty-two years old, of 74 Eleventh avenue, and Adam Watley, who lives next door to the Open Door Mission at 75 Eleventh avenue, were arraigned in the Yorkville Court to-day charged with disturbing the services by using profane language in front of the door.

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Last night the rowdies began their usual noise and Lewis captured two who were arraigned in court to-day. While the case was being heard by Justice McMahon a number of young men seated themselves among the spectators.

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ENGAGED.

KAUFMAN-DORCHERIN—PAULINE DORCHERIN to IRE KAUFMAN, 100 Madison street.

DIED.

MORGAN—RAYMOND T. MORGAN, drowned on Monday, Sept. 3, at Coney Island, in the 26th year of his age.

Funeral private from his late residence, 258 Bleecker st., Thursday, 9 P. M.

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